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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Friday, February 19, 2021, at 10:15 a.m.

House of Representatives

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2021

The House met at 12:30 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

God, You thunder wondrously with Your voice;
You do great things that we cannot comprehend.
To the snow You say, "Fall on the Earth";
and the heavy shower of rain,
serves as a sign on everyone's hand,
so that all whom You have made may know it.

Almighty God, when we look at the dramatic displays of nature across our country this week, we are left with no question of Your power. In awe of Your majesty, we pray that You are sending these torrents not as a sign of Your judgment but as a clear demonstration of Your dominion over all creation. May we humble ourselves to Your authority.

Recognizing the season of repentance in the Christian calendar, it behooves all of us to return to faith especially during these times requiring great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, and calamities. We yield ourselves to Your mercy this day.

We pray in the strength of Your holy name.
Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to section 5(a)(1)(A) of House Resolution 8, the

Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, February 16, 2021.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on February 16, 2021, at 10:24 a.m.:

Judgement of the Senate in the case of Donald John Trump.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

CHERYL L. JOHNSON,
Clerk.

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That the Senate passed S. 35.

Appointments:

Senator from Ohio (Mr. PORTMAN) to read Washington's Farewell Address.

Commission on the Naming of Items of the Department of Defense that Commemorate the Confederate States of America or Any Person Who Served Voluntarily with Confederate States of America.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

CHERYL L. JOHNSON,
Clerk.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE

The SPEAKER. The Chair announces her appointment, pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 1024(a), and the order of the House of January 4, 2021, of the following Members on the part of the House to the Joint Economic Committee:

Mr. BEYER, Virginia
Mr. SCHWEIKERT, Arizona

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO CONGRESSIONAL-EXECUTIVE COMMISSION ON THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

The SPEAKER. The Chair announces her appointment, pursuant to 22 U.S.C.

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